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Three Russian Armies Press Enemy Hard Both in North and South Poland Campaigning Goes Badly For Germans

Kielce Captured and Germans and Austrians Compelled to Retire—Continuous Fighting on Line in France and Belgium

Paris, Jan. 23.—The French War Office this afternoon reported: "The activity yesterday of our infantry along almost the entire front was devoted to the repairing of the damage done to our earthworks by the very bad weather of the last few days."

FRENCH SUMMARY.

Petrograd, Jan. 23.—While Russian troops are maintaining the offensive against the Germans in northern Poland, despite a severe snow storm, and progressing slowly but surely towards Thorn, two more armies in southern Poland are dealing heavily blows to the Austro-German troops in the government of Kielce. The city of Kielce has been recaptured by the forces of General Ruzski.

GERMANS CHECKED IN AFRICA

London, Jan. 23.—A statement by the governor-general of the Union of South Africa relates recent operations to repel the attempted German invasion. The statement concludes: "The line of the Orange River is now entirely in our possession and the enemy's advance into our territory near the eastern border of German South-West Africa, has been checked."

RUSSIAN ADVANCE CONTINUES

London, Jan. 23.—"In the Plock region in northern Poland, the Russians are continuing their notable advance from Skompe toward Lipne," says a Petrograd despatch to Reuters Telegram Company.

GERMANS FAIL TO SHAKE BRITISH; ALLIES WIN LABASSEZ

Paris, Jan. 23.—It is reported that Labassez, thirteen miles southwest of Lille, is now occupied by the allies, says the St. Omer correspondent of the Matin. The correspondent says: "After concentrating strong forces in the region of Festubert, a few miles northwest of Labassez, the Germans, on Monday night, tried to force the British lines. They made their attack in massed companies, but the British kept a withering fire and resisted with courage and energy. Several attacks were made in a few hours, without any success whatever, the Germans being repulsed every time with heavy loss, despite their numerical superiority."

BRITISH SEIZE GERMAN SHIPS

Cairo, Egypt, Jan. 23.—Five German merchant ships, which were ordered expelled from Port Said by the British prize court at Alexandria, were seized today by British warships, when they left that harbor. The German ships had taken refuge at Port Said at the outbreak of the war.

WAR NOTES

It is said Roumania is seeking to place a loan of \$25,000,000. Major-Gen. Hughes says the war will not end until peace terms are dictated by the Allies at Berlin. Public feeling in Germany is said to be turning strongly against the United States. It is reported that the governor of Yemen refuses to obey the Turkish order to release British Consul Richardson, on the ground that grave disorders would result.

FOURTEEN DEATHS

At the board of health officers this week fourteen deaths were registered from the following causes—pneumonia, cerebral degeneration, diphtheria, cancer of bowels, pneumonia, paralysis, diphtheria, phthisis, burns, one each, heart disease two, and senility three.

DIED TODAY

The death of Mrs. Mary Jane Nelson, widow of Andrew Nelson, occurred today at her home, 38 Erin street, after an illness of about five months. She was seventy-one years of age and is survived by two sons and three daughters. The funeral will be held on Monday.

Crowd Rome's Hospitals

Rome, Jan. 23.—The number of the injured who have been brought here from the earthquake zone to be cared for has reached 16,000.

Chatham Hockey Match

Chatham, N. B., Jan. 23.—The second game in the North Shore hockey league was played here last evening between St. Thomas' College and Miramichi. The latter won by 4 to 1.

Sleet or Rain

Met-time—Moderate southeast and light gales, with snow or rain tonight, sleet or rain with light sleet or rain. New England—Rain or snow tonight, sleet or rain in eastern Massachusetts; St. Thomas' College and Miramichi. The day partly cloudy and much colder.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—The disturbance which was the southwest states yesterday has veered quickly northeastward to the Gulf of Mexico and has now moved southeastward to the Gulf of Mexico. The weather is decidedly cold in all provinces.

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NEW ZEALANDER WHO WON VICTORIA CROSS



A lieutenant in a New Zealand mounted rifle corps, wearing the Victoria Cross which he won in the Boer War. He is a member of the New Zealand overseas contingent.

BREAK-UP OF AUSTRIA UNLESS PEACE SOON

London, Jan. 23.—The Daily News correspondent writes: "The Austrians are regarded as the greatest supporter of the Vatican, and the Pope is assumed to know more about the affairs of that country than even the trained diplomat."

Pope Quoted as Expressing This View in Conversation With Cardinals

Rome, Jan. 23.—The Pope, in conversation with the cardinals after the consistory yesterday, said that he feared the disintegration of Austria was inevitable unless peace was brought about within a short time. This remark of the Pontiff is considered here to be of the deepest significance.

GAVE HIM WATCH

At a picnic and dance conducted in their hall, Simonds street, last night by members of Union Jack Lodge No. 88, P. A. U. E., a jolly time was had. A feature of the programme was the presentation of a watch to the sergeant-at-arms, which was presented to him by the members of the lodge.

BANK TEAM TO FREDERICTON

The Bank of British North America hockey team will sail for St. John this evening to Fredericton to do a game of practice and should bring home the bank men of that city. The local men are in good shape notwithstanding their lack of practice and should bring home the bank men of that city.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. HANNAH LYNCH

Many received a great shock this morning as it became known that Mrs. Hannah Lynch had died suddenly during the night, at her home, corner of Rodney and Watson streets, West End. For many years Mrs. Lynch had conducted a shop there. Her husband, James Lynch, a well-known ship carpenter of his day died twenty-five years ago. For the last few months, since her sister died, Mrs. Lynch had lived alone. She had not been in good health for some little time and while a doctor was in to see her yesterday there was no indication of any serious trouble. It is believed that death was caused by hemorrhage. Mrs. Lynch was about sixty-five years old, a woman of kindly manner and warm heart, and one who numbered very many friends. She was a daughter of the late Thomas Murphy and of a large family only one had survived—Mrs. Joseph O'Brien of West End. The funeral will be held on Monday morning at eight o'clock to the Church of the Assumption for high mass of requiem.

MOTOR FIRE APPARATUS

Commissioner McLellan today confirmed a report that he would purchase this spring the piece of motor fire apparatus for which he was given bonds to issue bonds last year. He said the combination ladder truck and hose wagon would be here in about three months but he said nothing as to the type to be purchased. The price mentioned for such apparatus at the time bonds were authorized was about \$20,000.

THEIR BABY DEAD

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McCreary, Paradise row, will sympathize with them in the death of their fourteen months old child, which took place last night at a brief illness.

PURSE PRESENTED

Friends of Rev. G. B. Trafton and Mrs. Trafton, 192 Waterloo street gave them a very pleasant surprise last evening by calling at their home and during the course of a very pleasant hour presenting to them a substantial purse.

AIRMEN OF BOTH SIDES BUSY

British Damage Bruges Docks—Germans Kill by Throwing Bombs Into Dunkirk

Amsterdam, Jan. 23.—A British aviator today dropped bombs on the important Bruges, Belgium, docks, according to news which has reached here. The result of the attack is not yet known.

Paris, Jan. 23.—A semi-official statement, issued last night, says that several German aviators attacked Dunkirk yesterday, throwing eighty bombs. The victims numbered twenty, six of whom are dead. A large warehouse was set afire.

French and English aviators who chased the German aeroplanes, brought down one at Great Dunes, on the Belgian frontier. Its two occupants were made prisoners.

London, Jan. 23.—The Daily Mail correspondent at Havre, says:—The two German aviators brought down at Great Dunes met death. Ten unexploded bombs were still attached to the aeroplanes.

BEAR MASCOT NOW WITH THE HOME GUARD

Transfer of an important member of the 26th Battalion, overseas service, was one of the events of the day in local military circles and the member in question is now quartered at the training quarters of the Home Guard in Chipman Hill. Commissioner McLellan was largely instrumental in securing the transfer which was that of the little black bear, brought to the army by a North Shore contingent, and which was denied the right of crossing the ocean. Seeing an opportunity to secure an attractive monthly prize the commissioner made arrangements to secure the bear and his ownership from month to month will pass to one or the other of the firemen according to the results on the scoreboard.

Best service conditions are being provided for at the indoor range with the installation of two targets for recumbent firing, the others being for upright shooting. The targets will not require attention from behind as they are operated with levers by the men who are shooting.

The game passes through the boards of the target and is collected in a sheet from a counter directly behind so that the lead will not be wasted. Commissioner McLellan hopes to make the range pay its way.

TAKE THE BOY-OFF THE SHIP

Captain Thurlson, of the Norwegian bark Juno, was in the police court this morning on drunkenness charge. A few days ago he was reported by a young boy, William Baxter, a member of his crew, on a charge of assault. He promised to treat the boy well on the return passage and also to allow him part of his wages to send to his mother. The magistrate told the boy that if, on the return voyage, he was abused, to report the matter as soon as he arrived home. Upon considering the matter this morning the magistrate decided that the ship was no place for the boy and sent a policeman along with the captain to bring him and his belongings ashore. The boy was paid off and his papers turned over. When this had been accomplished the captain was to report with the policeman at headquarters. K. L. MacRae, Norwegian vice-consul, was in court.

HAD REVOLVER AND KEYS

Scott Scribner, arrested last night in Pond street, as unable to give a satisfactory account of himself, and also for carrying a loaded revolver, was remanded today. Scribner was recently allowed out on suspended sentence.

On the morning of "box" robbery late last night Detective Lucas and night policeman George Briggs thought he was acting suspiciously and arrested him. Besides the loaded revolver they found some twenty keys in his pocket.

COLONEL GRANT NOT QUITE SATISFIED IN FREDERICTON

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 23.—Colonel J. A. Grant, after inspection of the exhibition building and barracks was well pleased with conditions at the barracks, but thought there was room for improvement in the sanitary arrangements at the other place.

MONCTON'S BIGAMY CASE.

Moncton, N. B., Jan. 23.—Halifax reports that Norman Langille of Moncton, arrested on a charge of bigamy, elected to be tried under the Speedy Trials Act, pleaded guilty and was remanded for sentence. It is understood the court considers statements of prominent Moncton citizens as to the good character borne by Langille during his residence here.

MRS. D. A. GILCHRIST.

After a lingering illness the death of Mrs. Deborah A. Gilchrist, widow of Captain Davenport Gilchrist occurred today at her home in Knox street. She was about eighty years of age and had lived almost all her life in St. John. One daughter, Miss Carrie, at home, survives.

TRAIN LATE

The Atlantic express was reported running three hours late today, owing to trouble on the line west of Moncton.

Briton Still Cheerful With Leg Shot Off



A wounded British soldier taking a walk, assisted by a French Red Cross nurse. His left leg was so badly mangled by shrapnel that it was necessary to amputate it, but they couldn't amputate his smile.

Russians Stay Military Operations In Caucasus To Bury The Turkish Dead

Constantinople, Jan. 23.—A Turkish official communication regarding the fighting in the Caucasus says: "The Russian main force, which failed in an attempt to encircle our left wing, has retreated before our counter attack. Our troops are now pursuing the enemy."

Speaking of the fighting in Arabia, in the region of the Persian Gulf, the Turkish communication continues: "On Thursday the British forces, assisted by three gunboats, attacked our troops near Kurma (located at the junction of Euphrates and the Tigris rivers), but were completely defeated and forced to retreat with severe losses, while our losses were insignificant."

HEAD OF SALVATION ARMY IN CANADA IS IN CITY TODAY

An interesting visitor to the city today is Commissioner W. J. Richards, commander-in-chief of the Salvation Army in Canada, who came here from Fredericton where, last evening he was tendered a hearty welcome. To a Times reporter today he expressed his admiration for the condition of the army as he found it throughout this country, and the efficiency of its officers. Better soldiers of Christ could not be found in any part of the world as his verdict.

COMMISSIONER RICHARDS PAYS FIRST VISIT—HE TALKS OF THE WAR OF THE NATIONS

Regarding the activities of the Salvationists in connection with the war Commissioner Richards said the army had already furnished eight chaplains for service with the expeditionary forces and were prepared to furnish six others. They were willing to co-operate with the militia in any manner possible.

The court took up the matter of the estate of Samuel T. King, lumber merchant. He by his will nominated his son, Charles W. King, and his son-in-law, James Stratton as executors. Accounts were prepared by the executor with the intention of presenting them to the court for passing but both executors died without having done so. Gorham K. King, a son of Charles W. King, was then appointed administrator with the will annexed and he now has filed his accounts which were so prepared as well as his own and asked to have them passed. A citation was issued returnable on March 11 at 11 a. m. Barnhill, Bowling & Sanford are proctors.

FIND INCOMES SMALLER

A. W. Sharp, chairman of the board of assessors, said this morning that one of the features of this year's valuation was the discovery that many of the average incomes had been reduced. This applied to men employed in large business houses and also to men employed on the dredges and about the harbor who could count on only part time this year.

PROBATE COURT

In the probate court today the will of Mrs. Charlotte Emily Mahoney, widow of Frank Mahoney, was proved. She gives \$100 to each of the following: Eleanor, wife of James Lewis; the daughter, Grace; Glennie, wife of William F. Lewis; Mary, their daughter; Frederick J. Lewis of St. John, engineer; Hattie Lewis, his wife; Wentworth, son of the late William Lewis; May F. Gifford, daughter of Kocena M. Titus; Charlotte Arabella Rootes, widow; to a niece, Maud Mahoney; to a niece, Mrs. Adelaide Elder; and to Mrs. Charlotte Gertrude Logan, daughter of Adelaide Elder; to a niece, Mrs. Georgianna Larkin of Anoka, Minnesota, she gives \$1000; to Francis Shadrack Hermon Fritz, infant son of Howard Fritz, \$10,000, amount on deposit in the Dominion Savings Bank. The rest of her estate she gives to Kocena M. Titus and she nominates James Moulton and James Lewis executors. They were accordingly sworn in as such. There is no real estate; personally \$2,850. Kenneth A. Wilson is proctor for the executors, James E. Cowan proctor for Francis Shadrack Hermon Fritz.

EIGHT RELATIVES IN THE KING'S SERVICE

The Fredericton Mail says that R. W. Gregory of that city has an interesting claim regarding relationship with volunteers in arms for the country's defence. He has two sons, three grandsons, two nephews, and a son-in-law enlisted in various branches, and although seventy-two years of age, has offered his services to the militia department at Ottawa. One of the soldiers is Morris Allen of Maryville, his nephew, with the 26th Battalion here. Mr. Gregory himself is a veteran of the British Army.

ROBBERY

The fruit store of B. E. DeBow, corner of Water street and South Water, was entered last night and between \$14 and \$15 taken from the till. The office was entered by means of a key and the cashier's desk looted.